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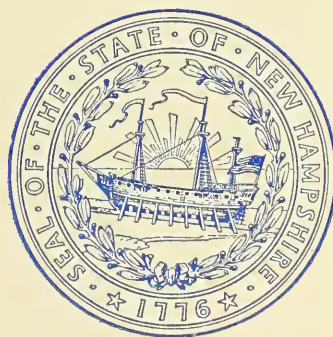
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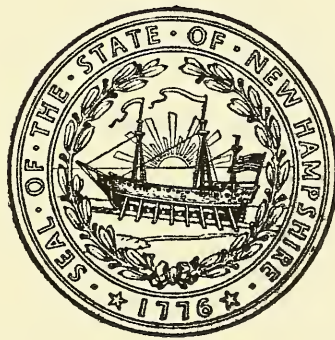
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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

FLOYD COLBY, SR

Town Clerk

ILEENE A. MATTHEWS

Selectmen

FLOYD COLBY, JR. CARL PEBBLES
PERLEY R. WOODWARD

Highway Surveyor

EDGAR ALBERT (Acting)

Treasurer

ILEENE A. MATTHEWS

Tax Collector

TERRY COLBY

Land Agents

SELECTMEN

Librarian

ANNE NETTLETON

Police

DAVID JOSLYN

Health Officers

SELECTMEN

Auditors

DAVID JOSLYN

LILLIAN COLBY

Trustee of Trust Funds

ZELMA WATTS

Library Trustees

BARBARA HOBART

ILEENE A. MATTHEWS

ZELMA WATTS

Janitor

DAVID JOSLYN

Constable

ROLAND MATTHEWS

Fire Warden

C. DENIS MATTHEWS

Deputy Wardens

CARROLL D. MATTHEWS FLOYD COLBY, SR.

PERLEY R. WOODWARD

TOWN WARRANT**State of New Hampshire**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next at three o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same in accordance with the budget herewith attached.

3. To see if the Town will vote to give a 3% discount for payment of taxes within 15 days.

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of Taxes.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of or administer any real estate acquired by Tax Collector's deeds.

6. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue plowing driveways.

7. If No. 6 is not accepted, to see if the Town will vote that all driveway plowing money be paid by November 1, of each year and that any request for plowing after

November 1, will be charged the initial cost of opening plus the yearly fee.

8. To see if the Town will vote to close all secondary roads that do not have any year round residents from November 1st to April 25th.

9. To see if the Town will vote to pay all salaried Town officers quarterly.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for the Hebron and Groton Athletic Association.

11. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road leading from Westerly side of Old North Groton Highway (Cheever to Fletcher Parris) to buildings known as Fletcher place, also road leading from buildings toward new North Groton Road, as far as the Dugway line, at the top of the hill.

12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund for the replacement of the town truck and to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to establish this fund.

13. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

FLOYD COLBY, JR.
CARL PEBBLES
PERLEY R. WOODWARD

Selectmen of Groton

SUMMARY INVENTORY

Land	\$ 164,305.00
Buildings	198,800.00
Factory Machinery	500.00
Public Utilities, Electric	207,600.00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes and Travel Trailers, 12	11,175.00
Boats and Launches, 9	450.00
Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	<u>\$582,830.00</u>
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate Is Computed	<u>\$582,830.00</u>

Number of Inventories Distributed in 1968 207

Date 1968 Inventories Were
Mailed March 21, 1968

Number of Inventories Returned in 1968 133

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year Jan. 1, 1969 to December 31, 1969. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1968 to December 31, 1968.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Yr. 1968	Actual Revenue Previous Yr. 1968	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Yr. 1969
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$80.00	\$93.01	\$100.00
Railroad Tax	25.00	28.79	30.00
Meals and Rooms Tax		168.12	150.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	50.00	299.12	250.00
For Fighting Forest Fires		19.05	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance		18.75	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	50.00	45.60	50.00
Business licenses, permits, filing fees		2.00	
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits	50.00	114.09	100.00
Income of Departments:			
Highway, incl. rental of equipment	200.00	276.00	300.00
Duncan Fund	1,368.32	1,368.32	1,393.52
Bounties	15.25	13.75	10.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	750.00	1,048.57	1,000.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	110.00	78.00	100.00
Yield Taxes	500.00	1,067.25	300.00
Total Revenues From All Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$3,197.57	\$4,640.42	\$3,423.52
Amt. To Be Raised By Prop. Taxes			31,616.01
TOTAL REVENUES			\$35,039.53

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, N. H.

PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Yr.	Estimated Expenditures Ending Yr.	
General Government:	1968	1968	1969	
Town officers' salaries	\$1,400.00	\$1,254.50	\$1,500.00	\$145.50
Town officers' expenses	700.00	709.38	700.00	(9.38)
Elec., registration expenses	400.00	325.40	200.00	74.60
Exp., town hall, other bldgs.	500.00	181.67	250.00	318.33
Employees' ret. & S.S.	150.00	496.83	500.00	(346.83)
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police department	500.00	474.05	500.00	25.95
Fire department	300.00	123.61	650.00	176.39
Insurance	400.00	439.00	400.00	(39.00)
Damages & legal expenses	500.00		50.00	500.00
Civil defense	50.00			50.00
Health: Health dept. incl. hosp.	25.00	39.00	25.00	(14.00)
Town dump	300.00	295.41	300.00	4.59
Highways and Bridges:				
Town maint.—Summer	4,368.32	3,558.59	4,393.52	809.73
Town maint.—Winter	2,000.00	2,067.39	2,000.00	(67.39)
Street lighting	170.00	154.00	170.00	16.00
Gen. exp., highway dept.	2,000.00	1,697.32	1,000.00	302.68
Town Road Aid	301.56	301.56	302.49	
Libraries	500.00	500.00	300.00	
Public Welfare: town poor	50.00		25.00	50.00
Old age assistance	1,300.00	858.63	1,100.00	441.37
Recreation:				
Parks & playgrounds	100.00	100.00	100.00	
Pub. Serv. Ent.: cemeteries	150.00	75.00	100.00	75.00
Adv., regional associations	50.00		50.00	50.00
Interest: On temp. loans	100.00	105.00	100.00	(5.00)
County Taxes	1,600.00	2,058.77	2,100.00	(458.77)
School Taxes	12,671.71	16,532.22	15,500.00	(3,860.51)
Total Expenditures	<u>\$30,586.59</u>	<u>\$32,347.33</u>	<u>\$32,316.01</u>	<u>(1,760.74)</u>

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED AND TAX RATE

Town Officers Salaries	\$1,400.00
Town Office Administrative Expenses	700.00
Election and Registration Expenses	400.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	500.00
Social Security and Retirement Contributions	150.00
Police Department	500.00
Fire Department	300.00
Insurance	400.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	500.00
Civilian Defense	50.00
Health Department	25.00
Dump and Garbage Collection	300.00
Town Maintenance — Summer	\$4,368.32
Town Maintenance — Winter	2,000.00
	<hr/> 6,368.32
Street Lighting	170.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	2,000.00
Town Road Aid	301.56
Libraries	500.00
Old Age Assistance	1,300.00
Public Relief (Town Poor)	50.00
Parks and Playgrounds inc. Band Concerts	100.00
Cemeteries	150.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	50.00
Payment on Debt (Interest)	100.00
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Total Town Appropriations	\$16,314.88

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$80.00	
Savings Bank Tax	25.00	
Reimb. a/c State & Federal Lands	50.00	
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	889.37	
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits	50.00	
Dog Licenses	50.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	750.00	
Rent of Town Property & Equipment	200.00	
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00 (1968 Warrant)	110.00	
Bounties	15.25	
Duncan Fund	1,368.32	
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Total Revenues and Credits	\$3,587.94	
Net Town Appropriations		\$12,726.94
Net School Appropriations		12,671.71
County Tax Assessment		2,058.77
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Total of Town, School and County		\$27,457.42
Add: *War Service Tax Credits		500.00
Add: Overlay		565.58
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Property Taxes To Be Raised		\$28,523.00
Taxes To Be Committed To Collector:		
Property Taxes		\$28,523.00
1968 Poll Taxes @ \$2.00		122.00
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Total Taxes To Be Committed		\$28,645.00

Town Tax Rate—\$4.70

*War Service Tax Credits:

All other qualified persons @ \$50 (10)	\$500.00
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TOWN OF GROTON

BALANCE

—ASSETS—

Cash:

In hands of treasurer	\$4,164.83
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Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1967	88.09
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Levy of 1966	33.53
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Previous Years	44.61
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Uncollected Taxes: Levy of 1968	1,918.40
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Levy of 1967	547.00
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Levy of 1966	147.53
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Previous Years	18.39
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State Head Taxes—Levy of 1968	135.00
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Total Assets	<u>\$7,097.38</u>
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Net Debt—Surplus, December 31, 1967	2,557.54
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Net Debt—Surplus, December 31, 1968	6,948.28
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Increase of Debt, of Surplus	4,390.74
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SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1968

——LIABILITIES——

Due to State:

State Head Taxes—1968 (Uncollected)	\$ 135.00
&Yield Tax (Uncollected)	14.10
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Total Liabilities	149.10
Excess of assets over liabilities(Surplus)	6,948.28
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Grand Total	\$7,097.38

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 2,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	1,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,500.00
Police Department, Equipment	350.00
Fire Department, Equipment	200.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	1,100.00
Equipment	4,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	4,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
Town Dump	200.00
Selectmen's Office and Equipment	1,500.00
Total	<hr/> \$18,350.00

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Received from Auto Permits:

Auto Permit Fees Collected	\$1,048.57
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Received from Dog Licenses:

Dog Tax Collected	\$50.00	
Less Clerk's Fees	4.40	
	<hr/>	45.60

Political Filing Fee	<hr/>	2.00
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Paid to the Treasurer	<hr/>	\$1,096.17
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Respectfully submitted,

Ileene A. Matthews
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Warrant
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1968

—DR.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$27,477.84	
Poll Taxes	122.00	
Total Warrant		\$27,599.84

Yield Taxes	1,067.25
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$172.80	
Poll Taxes	8.00	
		180.80

Interest Collected	5.78
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Total Debits	\$28,853.67
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—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$25,015.75	
Poll Taxes	78.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes		
Yield Taxes	1,067.25	
Interest Collected	5.78	
		\$26,166.78

Discount Allowed	633.68
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Abatements:

Property Taxes	\$130.81	
Poll Taxes	4.00	
		134.81

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	\$1,870.40	
Poll Taxes	48.00	
		1,918.40

Total Credits	\$28,853.67
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Summary of Warrant
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1967

—DR.—

Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1968:

Property Taxes	\$3,921.47	
Poll Taxes	52.00	
Yield Taxes	967.17	
	<hr/>	\$4,932.44

Interest Collected during fiscal year
ended December 31, 1968 146.91

Total Debits

 \$5,087.55

—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year
ended December 31, 1968

Property Taxes	\$3,839.20	
Poll Taxes	46.00	
Yield Taxes	428.37	
Interest Collected Dur. Year	146.91	
	<hr/>	\$4,460.48

Abatements made during year:

Property Taxes	\$74.07	
Poll Taxes	6.00	
	<hr/>	80.07

Uncollected Taxes - as per
Collector's List:

Yield Taxes	538.80	
Property Taxes	8.20	
Total Credits	<hr/>	\$5,087.55

Summary of Warrant
State Head Tax — Levy of 1968

——DR.——

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Original Warrant	\$355.00		
Added Taxes	20.00		
Total Commitment	—————	\$375.00	
Total Debits		—————	\$375.00

——CR.——

Remittances to Treasurer:			
Head Taxes	\$235.00		
	—————	\$235.00	
Abatements		5.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes		135.00	
Total Credits		—————	\$375.00

Summary of Warrant
State Head Tax—Levy of 1967

——DR.——

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1968	155.00		
Penalties Collected during 1968	13.50		
Total Debits		—————	\$168.50

——CR.——

Remittances to Treasurer during 1968:			
Head Taxes	135.00		
Penalties	13.50		
	—————	\$148.50	
Abatements During 1968		20.00	
Total Credits		—————	168.50

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

As of December 31, 1968

—DR.—

— Tax Sale on Account of Levies of: —

	1967	1966	Previous Years
Taxes sold to town during year	\$265.13		
Bal. unredeemed taxes 1/1/68		\$102.72	\$94.91
Interest col. after sale	.68	2.94	
Redemption costs	1.48	1.48	
Total debits	\$267.29	\$107.14	\$94.91

—CR.—

Remit. to Treas. dur. yr.	\$ 157.24	\$48.61	
Abatements during year	21.96	25.00	50.30
Unredeemed Taxes - at close of year	88.09	33.53	44.61
Total Credits	\$267.29	\$107.14	\$94.91

Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Sales
On Account of Levies of:

	1967	1966
Hayward and Miriam Cox		\$14.48
Charles Tarr		10.52
Charles Walker		8.53
Albert and Ethel Conkey	\$67.34	
Charles Tarr	11.43	
Charles Walker	9.32	
	\$88.09	\$33.53

REPORT OF TREASURER

Receipts:

Terry Colby, Collector:

1966 Property Tax	\$ 38.00
1966 Interest	.38
1967 Polls	42.00
1967 Property Tax	3,628.05
1967 Yield Tax	428.37
1967 Interest	107.93
1967 Head Tax	125.00
Penalties	12.50
1968 Polls	78.00
1968 Property Tax	25,015.75
1968 Yield Tax	1,067.25
1968 Interest	5.78
1968 Head Tax	235.00
Taxes Bought by the Town	265.13
Taxes Redeemed	205.85

State of New Hampshire:

Reimbursement a/c Forest Lands	211.49
Reimbursement a/c State Owned Recreational Lands	11.52
Town Share, Room and Meal Tax	168.12
Reimbursement a/c Old Age	18.75
Interest and Dividends Tax	93.01
Savings Bank Tax	28.79
Duncan Fund	1,368.32
Reimbursement a/c Forest Fire Meeting	19.05
Bounties	13.75
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Lands	76.11

Pemigewasset National Bank:

Temporary Loan	6,000.00
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Rent of Equipment:	
Plowing Driveways	276.00
Town Clerk:	
Political Filing Fee	2.00
Auto Permits Fees	1,048.57
Dog Tax	45.60
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Total	\$40,636.07
Cash in Hand January 1, 1968	2,557.54
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Grand Total	\$43,193.61
Payments:	
Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$39,015.48
Bank Service Charges	6.27
Return Check, Insufficient Funds	7.00
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	39,028.75
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Balance	\$4,164.86

Respectfully submitted,

ILEENE A. MATTHEWS,
Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes: (Collected and
remitted to Treasurer)

Property Taxes cur. yr. 1968	\$25,015.75
Poll Taxes Current Year, 1968	78.00
Yield Taxes, 1968	1,067.25
State Head Taxes @ \$5, 1968	235.00
Total Cur. Year's Taxes	<hr/> \$26,396.00

Property & Yield Taxes, prev. yrs.	4,305.57
Poll Taxes, Previous Years	46.00
State Head Taxes @ \$5, prev. yrs.	135.00
Interest received on Taxes	153.07
Penalties on State Head Taxes	13.50
Tax sales redeemed	205.85

From State:

For State Aid Construction	1,368.32
Interest and dividends tax	93.01
Savings Bank Tax, Building, Loan Assoc. Tax	28.79
Reimb. a/c State and Federal forest lands	299.12
Fighting forest fires	19.05
Bounties	13.75
Meals and Rooms Tax	168.12

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	45.60
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	2.00
Rent of town property	276.00
Motor vehicle permits	1,048.57

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	6,000.00
Refunds	18.75
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$40,636.07
Cash on hand December 31, 1968	2,557.54
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Grand Total	\$43,193.61

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$1,254.50
Town officers' expenses	709.38
Election and registration expenses	325.40
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	181.67

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	474.05
Fire department, including forest fires	123.61
Insurance	439.00

Health:

Health department, including hospitals	39.00
Vital statistics	7.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	295.41

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	301.56
Town Maintenance — (Summer \$2,258.59) (Winter \$2,067.39)	4,325.98
Street lighting	154.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	1,697.32

Libraries	500.00
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Public Welfare	858.63
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Recreation	100.00
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Public Service Enterprises	75.00
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Unclassified:

Taxes bought by town	265.13
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	78.29
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	496.83

Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$12,701.76
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Interest	105.00
Highways and Bridges, State Aid construction	1,300.00

Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	6,000.00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes paid State Treas.
(1968 \$186.00) (Prior Yrs. \$145.00) \$331.00

Taxes paid to County	2,058.77
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Payments to School Districts

(1967 Tax	\$3,734.79)
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(1968 Tax	12,797.43)
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	16,532.22
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	18,921.99
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$39,028.75
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Cash on hand January 1, 1968	4,164.86
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Grand Total	\$43,193.61
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DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Floyd Colby, Jr., Selectman	\$400.00
Perley Woodward, Selectman	175.00
Carl Pebbles, Selectman	200.00
Terry Colby, Tax Collector	200.00
Ileene Matthews, Clerk and Treasurer	200.00
Lillian Colby, Auditor	39.75
David Joslyn, Auditor	39.75
	<hr/> \$1,254.50

Election and Registration

Floyd Colby, Sr., Moderator	\$31.50
Ethel Traunstien, Ballot Clerk	8.75
Verna Matthews, Ballot Clerk	15.75
Barbara Hobart, Ballot Clerk	8.75
Ruth Adams, Ballot Clerk	8.75
Zelma Watts, Ballot Clerk	7.00
Cynthia White, Ballot Clerk	14.00
Roland Matthews, Ballot Clerk	7.00
Beatrice Smith, Ballot Clerk	7.00
Mary Hobart, Ballot Cltrk	7.00
Ernest Matthews, Sr., Supervisor	64.25
Irma Woodward, Supervisor	64.25
Lillian Colby, Supervisor	67.50
Ballots, Enterprise Press	13.90
	<hr/> \$325.40

Police Department

David Joslyn, Patrolling	\$389.08
Perley Woodward, Patrolling	10.50
Roland Matthews, Patrolling	63.87

Evans Radio	8.80
Sanel Auto Parts	1.80
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	\$474.05

Town Hall and Other Town Buildings

Mountain View Oil Co.	\$135.37
Rands	1.30
N. H. Electric Corp.	10.00
Edward Smith, mowing	10.00
David Joslyn, Janitor	\$25.00
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	\$181.67

Fire Department

Ernest Matthews, Sr., Training Meeting	\$41.10
Floyd Colby, Jr., gas, oil, Fire Truck	11.85
Treas., State of N. H., Indian Pumps	70.66
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	\$123.61

Town Officers' Expenses

C. D. Matthews, office supplies	\$7.55
Dorothy Doyle, clerk dues	6.00
N. H. Assessors, assoc. dues	5.00
Lillian Colby, auditing supplies	5.60
Edson C. Eastman Co., tax, treas.. clerk supplies	46.95
Wheeler & Clark Co., dog tags	9.90
Homestead Press. tax supplies	12.50
Terry Colby. selectman office supplies	16.01
Terry Colby, tax collector expenses	88.63
Charles A. Wood. transfers and recording	54.04
N. H. Tax Collector Assoc.	5.00
Floyd Colby, Jr., stamps	6.00
Enterprise Press, supervisor list and town reports	266.50
Perley Woodward, phone calls	13.20

Clifford-Nicol Inc., tax bills	25.30
Ileene Matthews, expenses	141.20

\$709.38

Retirement and Social Security

Withholding Tax	\$295.51
Social Security, employee's share	100.66
Social Security, town share	100.66

\$496.83

Interest

Pemigewasset National Bank	
Temporary loan interest	\$105.00

Temporary Loan

Pemigewasst National Bank	\$6,000.00
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State Treasurer

Head Taxes	\$331.00
Boat Reports	1.74

\$332.74

County

Lawrence Colby, treas., Grafton county tax	\$2,058.77
Newfound Area School District	
1967-1968 Appropriation	\$3,734.79
1968-1969 Appropriation	12,797.43

\$16,532.22

Town Dump

Lewis Albert, labor	\$57.00
Carl Pebbles, labor	7.87

Clayton Hobart, rubbish removal	48.00
Raymond Davis, bulldozer	125.00
Lewis Albert, tractor	47.50
Ernest Matthews, Sr., sand	5.00
Hebron Village Store, gas	11.84

\$302.21

Less W. T. and S. S.	6.80
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\$295.41

Sealing

Lewis Albert, labor	\$80.75
David Albert, labor	64.75
Joseph Matthews, labor	45.50
Carl Pebbles, labor	70.00
Lewis Albert, tractor	25.00
Hebron Village Store, gas	8.95
Campton Sand & Gravel, cold patch	48.30

\$343.25

Less W. T. and S. S.	50.33
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\$292.92

Summer Roads

Carl Pebbles, labor	\$644.46
Lewis Albert, labor	250.80
David Albert, labor	118.11
Joseph Matthews, labor	49.00
Everett Hobart, labor	84.00
Bruce Barnard, labor	14.00
Edward Albert, labor	103.93
James Albert, labor	45.50
Frank Butterfield, labor	25.37
David Joslyn, labor	23.63
Miller Bestick, labor	62.12

James Ashley, labor	21.00
James Albert, labor	10.50
Lewis Albert, tractor	251.70
James Albert, jeep	309.00
James Albert, trip to Canaan	5.00
Short's Garage, bush saw	10.00
Mrs. Pickering, bush saw	48.80
Hebron Village Store, gas and oil	29.68
Ernest Matthews, Sr., sand	2.00
Lucien Parris, tractor and mowing	110.00
Edward Smith, tractor	41.25
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	\$2,259.85
Less W. T. and S. S.	294.18
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	\$1,965.67

Winter Roads

Ernest Matthews, Sr., labor	\$54.40
Ernest Matthews, Jr., labor	393.30
Edward Smith, labor	281.10
David Joslyn, labor	125.25
Frank Matthews, labor	6.00
Perley Woodward, labor	93.30
C. D. Matthews, labor	10.50
Edgar Albert, labor	87.70
Clayton Hobart, labor	95.00
Charles Matthews, labor	22.50
Lewis Albert, labor	136.80
James Albert, labor	59.50
Everett Hobart, labor	6.13
David Albert, labor	21.00
Joseph Matthews, labor	14.00
Blair Matthews, labor	15.75
Carl Pebbles, labor	70.00
Norris Smith, labor	55.12
Milton Woodward, labor	8.75

Work Sheet No. 242 misplaced	131.48
Hebron Village Store, gas and oil	309.45
Raymond Davis, sand and loader	83.00
James Albert, rent of car	5.00
Clayton Hobart, trips to Newport and Bristol and sanding	17.00
Ernest Matthews, Jr., 2 trips to Bristol 2 bills at Kimball's	16.28
Edward Smith, tractor, jeep and salt	36.00
David Joslyn, trip to Bristol	3.00
Harold Matthews, plowing town house	30.00
Ernest Matthews, Sr., sand	2.00
Lewis Albert, tractor	6.00
Virginia Harriman, bulldozer	25.00

\$2,246.56

Less W. T. and S. S. 179.17

\$2,067.39

Duncan Fund

State Treasurer \$1,300.00

State Road Aid

State Treasurer (town share) \$301.56

General Expense Highway Department

Bartlett Auto, repair, inspection town truck	\$86.76
Webster Motors, repair town truck	664.80
N. H. Explosives, part and equipment	222.46
Kimball's Gulf, repair town truck	12.65
R. C. Hazelton & Co., parts, snow plow	55.91
Esty Machine & Tool, parts snow plow	10.70
Merrimack Farmers, Inc., salt	253.60
Wright's Service Center, truck battery	31.00
Ross Express	3.05

Raymond Davis, sand and loading	5.50
Rand's, supplies	2.28
Prescott Lumber Co.	2.45
Campton Sand & Gravel, cold patch	142.61
Sanel Auto Parts	4.15
Plymouth Tire Co., tires town truck	194.90
Mosley's Express	4.50
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	\$1,697.32

Street Lighting

N. H. Electric Coop.	\$154.00
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Insurance

John C. Ray: Police Radio	\$ 19.00
Bonds	70.00
Town Truck	63.00
Fire Truck	88.00
Workman Compensation	167.00
Fire and Theft	42.00
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	\$439.00

Libraries

Ileene Matthews, Treas., library approp.	\$500.00
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Old Age Assistance

State Treasurer (town share)	\$858.63
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Cemeteries

Edward Smith, labor	\$75.00
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Taxes Bought by Town

Terry Colby, 1967 tax levy	\$265.13
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Health

Pemi-Baker Home, Health Agent	\$39.00
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Parks and Recreation

Bristol Community Center	\$100.00
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Discounts, Abatements and Refunds

Refund, State Treasurer	\$13.12
Terry Colby, refund	1.55
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	\$14.67

Unclassified

Redeemed Taxes	\$48.61
Service Charges	6.27
Uncollectable Check	7.00
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	\$61.88

Vital Statistics

Ileene Matthews, clerk	\$7.00
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REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, N.H. ON DEC. 31, 1968

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Bal. Prin. End of Year	Bal. Inc. Beg. of Year	Income During Year	Expend. During Year	Balance End of Year
Unknown	Cyrus Blood Fund	Care of lot of Cyrus Blood in Rolfe Hill Cem.	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 25171	\$50.00	\$65.96	\$5.26	none	\$71.22
Unknown	George Hall Fund	Care of lot in Union Cemetery	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 25172	100.00	105.60	9.36	none	114.96
Unknown	N. Groton Cemetery Fund	Care of Cemetery	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 36736	231.98	50.86	16.21	none	67.07
TOTALS				\$381.98	\$222.42	\$30.83	none	\$253.25

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

January 27, 1969

BARBARA HOBART, trustee

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this Town Report was taken from official records of the Town of Groton. They are complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

DAVID A. JOSLYN,
LILLIAN E. COLBY.
Groton Town Auditors

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Books owned January 1969	2378	
Gift	1	
Library	4	
	—	2383
Books Borrowed from Bookmobile:		
Adult Fiction Loaned	96	
Non Fiction	75	
Juvenile (Groton School)	75	
	—	246
Services:		
Volumes of Fiction Loaned	208	
Volumes of Non Fiction	43	
Volumes of Juvenile	36	
	—	287
Regular Borrowers	27	
New Borrowers	3	
	—	30

ANNE NETTLETON,
Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Payments, Jan. 1, 1968 to Dec. 31, 1968

Anne Nettleton, Salary	\$122.25
Edward Smith, Wood	5.00
Clayton Hobart, Janitor	12.00
Louise Albert, Cleaning Library	5.00
Readers Digest, Books and Subscription	16.45
Gordon Matthews, Mowing Lawn	8.50
Concord General Mutual Ins. Co., Insurance	30.00
Check Book	2.00
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Total Payments	\$194.20
Balance	394.39
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Grand Total	\$588.59

Receipts Jan. 1, 1968 to Dec. 31, 1968

Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1968	\$ 48.59	
Selectmen, Appropriation	500.00	
RCA Record Company, Gift	40.00	
Total	<hr/>	\$ 588.59

Respectfully submitted,

ILEENE A. MATTHEWS,
Library Treasurer

STATE TAX COMMISSION REPORT

September 10, 1968

Selectmen of Groton
 Floyd Colby, Jr., Chr.
 Groton, New Hampshire 03241

Gentlemen:

Your Summary Inventory of Property Valuation and Statement of Appropriations have been approved. You may proceed with the assessment of 1968 taxes on the basis of the following figures:

Net Assessed Valuation	\$582,830.00
Taxes Committed to Collector:	
Gross Property Taxes Assessed	\$27,975.84
Less: Estimated War Service	
Tax Credits	500.00
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Net Property Taxes Committed	\$27,475.84*
Poll Taxes	122.00
	<hr/> \$ 27,597.84
Tax Rate	\$4.80

*The amount of property tax commitment is subject to adjustment by reason of an increase or decrease in War Service Tax Credits which may result based on the above approved rate.

Interest & Dividends Tax has been increased to \$93.00 and Savings Bank Tax increased to \$28.00. Meals & Rooms Tax estimate has been inserted at \$168.00. Motor Vehicle Permit Fees have been increased to \$850.00 based on prior year receipts from this source. Poll Taxes have been increased to \$122.00 and we have used \$500.00 from Balance Sheet surplus to keep the rate from increasing any more than is necessary.

The School Tax has been approved at \$12,797.43 in accordance with our notification to the Newfound Area School District, a copy of which is enclosed. With Overlay set at \$688.70 the above approved rate results. We also enclose a copy of the third page of the Statement of Appropriations for your files.

Very truly yours,

STATE TAX COMMISSION

Lawton B. Chandler
Commissioner

RSA 76 as amended by Chapter 120, Laws of 1963 provides for delivery of the list (warrant) to the collector within thirty days of receipt of approval of the tax rate unless for good cause the time is extended by the commission. The collector shall within thirty days after receipt of the warrant from the selectmen send out the tax bills unless for good cause the time is extended by the commission.

VITAL STATISTICS

— Deaths —

In Plymouth, N. H., March 14, 1968, Lena Mae Matthews, aged 61 years.

In Plymouth, N. H., June 7, 1968, Ira Wellman Smith, aged 84 years.

In Ashland, N. H., June 24, 1968, Perley Donald Matthews, aged 68 years.

— Marriages, —

In Hebron, N. H., June 8, 1968, by Richard Clancy, Justice, Richard Paul Adams and Pauline Judith Fellows, both of Groton, N. H.

In Hebron, N. H., July 24, 1968, by Everett A. Gassett, Civil, Lucien M. Parris of Groton, N. H., and Eugene Ho-Sing-Lay of West Plymouth, N. H.

In Bristol, N. H., Sept. 7, 1968, by Rev. Joseph W. Bradley, Edward Marshall Gordon of Alexandria, N. H., and Gayle Elizabeth Stevens of Groton, N. H.

In Bristol, N. H., Oct. 26, 1968, by Rev. Nelson Perreault, Milton Delmore Woodward of Groton, N. H., and Theresa Jane Cyr of Bridgewater, N. H.

In Hebron, N. H., Nov. 9, 1968, by Everett A. Gassett, Civil, George Peter deMello and Betty Ann Humphrey, both of Groton, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above records are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ILEENE A. MATTHEWS,
Town Clerk

